

## WANGANUI.

Mr. C. R. Ford, architect, reports work in hand at present moment.—Residence for Mr. J. J. Weir, on the College Estate. Two-storey residence for Mr. R. N. Bain, Esq., on St. John's Hill. A two-storey residence for C. G. Johnson, Esq., at Gonville. A residence for Mrs. Nixon at Gonville. Alteration to house at Gonville for Inlay Saunders, Esq.

Mr. T. H. Battle, architect, has in hand the Public Trust building, double frontage Market Square and Campbell Street, two storeys, containing manager's room, two strong rooms, main chamber, and public space, etc., on ground floor; and departmental chambers on upper floor. Two light wells, and covered yard. The architecture is classical renaissance, constructed in ferro-concrete with arched windows on upper and lower floors, and balustrade to portions of parapet, with pediments complete. A building well-proportioned, of pleasing lines and good details. Entrance is set back, relieved by grey granite shafts of polished Coromandel, and choice of grey granite chips for rough cast, very successful for tone. The floor of main chamber is treated with unglazed tiles, herring-bone pattern. Painting, etc., Messrs. Hughes, Allomes and Tarran. Plumbing, Dimes and Jones.—Cost, £3777; contractor, Mr. John Jones. The same architect has under construction a residence in College Street, eight rooms. Business premises, Victoria Avenue, shops and offices. Business premises, Guyton Street, three shops, and offices; and a residence at Fordell, of twelve rooms.

Mr. L. MacLachlan, architect, has plans prepared for new buildings at the Freezing Works, to provide storage, cutting room, etc., for 32,000 carcasses. Dimensions, 125ft. by 40ft.; also a gabled residence in brick, seven rooms, rough cast.—Cost, £1400; also the Mangamaha Hotel, billiard-room, offices, with balcony, etc., of two storeys, containing eighteen rooms; also a home containing eight rooms, with two verandahs, at Kaunangaroa. The same architect has recently completed a residence of seven rooms, two sleeping bays, at Durie Hall, with Poillite roof.—Cost, £800; also a dwelling, College Street, of six rooms.—Cost, £700.

Mr. Leo. Atkinson, architect, has in hand business chambers and store at the foot of the bridge, for Messrs. Johnson and Co., merchants. Site, 33ft. by 104ft., now being constructed in brick and reinforced in three bands, with concrete foundation, thus providing for future additional floors; flat roof for present work. The hallway and passage are in centre, with convenient offices, sample-room, typist's room, general store and bond store, etc.; conveniently grouped and easy of access, for requirements of firm; including two strong rooms. The architectural lines are Georgian renaissance, for facade on Taupu Quay and portion of side elevation.—Cost, about £3000; contractor, Mr. J. Alderton. Also in hand, gabled bungalow for Mr. F. K. Turnbull. Eight rooms, with loggia in reinforced concrete, and main building in weather-boarding. Loggia 24ft. by 14ft., best-room, 20ft. by 16ft.; bow window to bedroom (19ft. by 14ft.), and sleeping bays provided for.

Messrs. James and Higgins, architects, have in hand the new Children's Hospital Ward, in brick and reinforced concrete; special sanitary arrangements and ventilation.—Cost, £2000; contractor, Mr. J. Alderton.

Messrs. McLeod and Brodie, architects, have completed two shops, and business chambers of two storeys, stairway in centre, in Victoria Avenue. The building is in brick and rough cast, picked out with blue tiles; window frames oak, with Coromandel granite pilasters; suspended verandah, rainwater heads and ironwork designed in keeping with building.—Metal work by Mr. Halligan. Contractors, Messrs. Dick and Flyger. Also a residence for Mr. E. M. Silk, in brick and rough cast, of two storeys, with piazza and dormer, roof of marseilles tiles; living-room, 22ft. by 17ft. 6in., lounge hall with ingle-nook and seats; Jarrah beams, etc.; kitchen 14ft. by 13ft., maid's room, den 17ft. by 12ft., drawing-room, staircase well, two galleries; upper floor, nursery 26ft. by 22ft., and two bedrooms; steel casement by Messrs. Schlaadt and Co.—Price, £1400; contractors; Messrs. Dick and Flyger. The interior of this home has received the special attention of the architects in furniture, fittings, etc. The same architects have in hand two residences (Gonville) in brick and rough cast; portico in centre, sheltered porch at side, in one case, being feature of design; Jarrah frames and floors, Marseilles tiles, steel casements by Schlaadt and Co.—Contractors, Messrs. Russell and Bignell.



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